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NOTICE

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DEATH.

At the Glendore, Carter Road, Shanghai, on the 25th May, 1883, MARCUS EDWARD TOWNSEND (late Consul of H. M. Customs), aged 31 years.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, May 31, 1883.

No factor in the China trade seems to hold its own better than the great middlemen, bequeathed to us by the commercial pioneers. He has attached himself to the mercantile as the *Shayen* has to the official service, and though often denounced, and not infrequently attacked, he has yet proved himself indispensable. The 2 per cent. of legitimate commission which the comprador has been in the habit of intercepting between his foreign employer and his native constituents has been felt to be such an intolerable burden on trade that at one time there was a general outcry raised for the abolition of the comprador altogether. It was thought that the chief barrier to his extinction was the ignorance of foreign merchants, which on its own merits was discreditable to them, and which was eradicated with the coming of the native manager. Under the impulse of this feeling a determination to study Chinese became popular for a time. Several Englishmen, and a great many Germans as well as French, acquired the language; and with good practical results in several instances which could be mentioned. The large houses also began a system of student interpreters on the principle of the Consular services; and the big bank even went so far as to offer a premium for the acquisition of Chinese by members of its staff. The success of the student system has not, however, been very marked, apparently for two reasons. First, the student of Chinese must begin young; and before his general qualities have been proved, so that after a few years devoted to the language it may be discovered that the student has not the capacity, to make any practical use of it in his employer's business. Secondly, the man who has learned to speak Chinese is apt to be kept at some station where the accomplishment is valuable, at the risk of having his career spoiled by being deprived of the chance of learning general business and of pushing his way among his contemporaries. A knowledge of Chinese may therefore be the means of condemning a young man to fossilization. It was also occasionally found that, however valuable the mastery of Chinese might be, it was not everything, and that a man might be good at that and good at nothing else. A well balanced head, intelligence, a knowledge of human nature, and especially of the Chinese variety of it, are after all of infinitely greater importance than any mere technical accomplishment; and some of the worst business failures have been in the linguistic ranks.

Partly, it may be, through laziness, but mainly through the necessity of knowing the intricacies of Chinese manners and customs,

maxims and principles of action, the confidential native agent still retains his sway over the foreign merchant. He is able to adapt himself to his environment, and to suit all sorts and conditions of men. At one time he is head servant, at another head master; all is equal to the clever comprador who refuses to be beaten by circumstances. This Protean capacity, however, seems to lead to much ambiguity in the relation between the comprador and his foreign employer, or *employe*—for it is often difficult to distinguish. Whether he be servant or master, it is generally understood that it is the comprador who makes the money, and many a merchant prince would at the end of 20 or 30 years' labour be happy to exchange fortunes with his sleek comprador. In many instances the comprador has been, probably it is still, the banker of his patron, in which capacity he of course controls all his operations. It is a question of solvency the position of the comprador is therefore of more importance than that of the nominal master. In branches of great houses and banks the comprador is often tacitly recognized as the real manager, the foreign figurehead, being selected less for his real capacity than for his pliability to the comprador's manipulation.

Such an important personage is not likely to fitter himself in any of his business operations. He may not only act as the responsible controller of two or more foreign firms, but he may carry on extensive business on his own account, or in connection with native partners. It is not therefore to be wondered at under these circumstances that the question, Who is who? comes to be rather frequently asked. The ambiguous position of the comprador has often been used as a cover for the shady doings of the foreigner, and the facility for evading legal obligations which the peculiar relationship affords seems to offer very strong temptations to needy men, and to others who find themselves in a difficulty. It cuts two ways, indeed half-a-dozen ways. The comprador's transactions may be protected by the name of his nominal employer, and vice versa, and we have recently seen that legal obligations may be evaded or enforced according to the way in which a foreign or native official may happen to twist the peculiar relationship between the foreigner and his comprador. Fortunate litigation has arisen from disputes as to the identity of the parties to a transaction; and the comprador's system undoubtedly opens the door to much wrongdoing on the part of merchants and perversion of justice on the part of officials. As my guidance can be obtained from text books in such cases every Judge or Consul who has to deal with them has to be a law to himself; and consequently the variety of treatment has been considerable. It would, however, be not amiss for Chambers of Commerce to interest themselves in the matter, and endeavour to define the position of the comprador to mercantile firms in such a way as that the public may be put on its guard in its dealings with the comprador principal, and the Courts of Justice may not be left to founder in a fog.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Dardanelles* left Singapo yesterday morning for this port.

The adjourned meeting of the Legislative Council will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday instead of Thursday.

Mr. Boyd Bradon, who has recently returned from three years' leave, has been appointed Commissioner of Customs at Chefoo.

The P. M. steamer *Forer*, with, &c., from San Francisco to the 13th inst., has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port at noon to-day.

The *Express of Japan* arrived at Nagasaki at 7 a.m. Monday and left again at 4:30 p.m. the same day for Vancouver via Kobe and Yokohama.

The China Mutual steamer *Oopoch*, which arrived yesterday morning from Singapore, reported having spoken a large steamer showing the signal letters RVNS in lat. 120 N. Long. 110 E. from New York for Hongkong. She was reported to have been damaged by a hurricane. So far as we have been able to learn, the wind must have been of a force of 10. The wind vereed only between E. and N.E. At about 10 o'clock the *Tropic*, which was light, and which was lying out in the harbour, where she received the full force of the blow from the N.E., dragg'd her anchor, and, and by three o'clock the wind was blowing with great violence with rain. Between five and six o'clock with hurricane force and the wind continued to rage at intervals up to midnight, the rain falling in torrents. 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